THE FLORIDA SENATE 2020 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Health Policy

CS/HB 1373 — Long-term Care

by Health Market Reform Subcommittee and Rep. Webb and others (CS/SB 1544 by Health Policy Committee and Senator Albritton)

The bill amends s. 409.979, F.S., to provide additional clarity for individuals on the Medicaid Long-Term Care Managed Care waitlist regarding the likelihood that he or she will be eligible for services through the program. The bill provides that personnel of an aging resource center will annually rescreen a person on the waitlist only if that person has a high priority score or upon notification of a significant change in circumstances of a person with a low priority score. Preexisting law requires a rescreening to be conducted annually for all such persons or upon notification of a significant change in the person's circumstances, without regard to the person's priority score.

The bill amends s. 430.205, F.S., to allow a community-care-for-the-elderly service provider to dispute a referral from protective investigations of an elderly adult determined to be in need of services or to be the victim of abuse.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2020.

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 111-0

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